

APPENDIX 4: CROSSWALK OF CORE FUNCTIONS AND 10 ESSENTIAL SERVICES TO STANDARDS

The following matrix compares the federal framework of 10 Essential Services of Public Health with the *Standards for Public Health in Washington State*. Local and state health officials drafted the standards with frequent reference to the 10 Essential Services, but they did not use the federal framework to organize their work. Instead, they chose to develop standards in five topic areas. For each area, they sought to assure that the 10 Essential Services were addressed. Please note that the standards, as referenced here, are abbreviated. An entire standard and its measures must be read to understand its scope.

The 10 Essential Services are:

Assessment

- Monitor health status of the community.
- Diagnose and investigate health problems and hazards.
- Inform and educate people about health issues.

Policy Development

- Mobilize partnerships to solve community problems.
- Support policies and plans to achieve health goals.

Assurance

- Enforce laws and regulations to achieve health goals.
- Link people to needed personal health services.
- Ensure a skilled public health workforce.
- Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of health services.
- Research and apply innovative solutions.

10 Essential Services

Topic Area/Standard	Assessment			Policy dev't		Assurance				
	Monitor	Investigate	Inform	Mobilize	Policies	Enforce	Services	Workforce	Evaluate	Research
Assessment										
1. Assessment skills and tools in place	X	X						X		
2. Information collected, analyzed, and disseminated	X	X	X		X			X	X	
3. Effectiveness of programs is evaluated	X							X	X	X
4. Health policy reflects assessment information			X	X	X					
5. Confidentiality and security of data protected								X		
Communicable disease										
1. Surveillance and reporting system maintained	X	X	X			X		X		X
2. Response plans delineate roles			X	X				X		
3. Documented investigation and control procedures		X			X	X	X	X	X	
4. Urgent messages communicated quickly			X	X			X	X		
5. Response plans routinely evaluated			X					X	X	X
Environmental health										
1. Environmental health education planned		X	X	X				X		
2. Response prepared for environmental threats	X	X		X			X	X	X	
3. Risks and events tracked and reported	X		X	X					X	X
4. Enforcement actions taken for compliance						X		X		
Prevention/health promotion										
1. Policies support prevention priorities	X	X	X		X			X		X
2. Community involvement in setting priorities			X	X	X					
3. Access to prevention services			X	X			X	X	X	X
4. Prevention, early intervention provided				X	X		X	X		
5. Health promotion activities provided			X	X	X			X	X	X
Access to critical services										
1. Information on service availability	X		X				X			
2. Information shared on trends, over time		X	X						X	X
3. Plans developed to reduce specific gaps			X	X	X		X		X	
4. Quality and capacity monitored and reported			X			X		X	X	X